

REMARKS

This amendment is responsive to the final Office Action dated August 30, 2005, to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated October 28, 2005, and to the Advisory Action dated December 9, 2005.

Non-elected claims 1-63 have been cancelled and a substitute terminal disclaimer is submitted herewith, by which a terminal portion of the term of the entire patent to issue from this application is disclaimed in respect of each of U.S. Patents Nos. 5,436,030, 5,789,023 and 6,319,552. Also, independent claim 64 has been amended to include the coating doctoring step of now cancelled claim 67. In addition, those of the claims calling for the step of moving the web at a speed on the order of 2400-6000 fpm have been cancelled and, at these claims were not subject to any double patenting rejection, they will be presented in a continuation application to be filed during the co-pendency of the present application.

Applicant does not agree with the rejection of claims 64-66, 75, 76 and 80 over the teachings of Isayama et al. patent 4,299,188, and hereby incorporates by reference and repeats his previous arguments directed to the patentability of those claims, as were earlier advanced in the prosecution of this application. Nevertheless, for applicant's convenience in advancing this application, those claims have been amended to include the step of doctoring the coating on the web, which the examiner considers as a distinguishing feature over the Isayama et al. reference.

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As all of the rejections of and objections to the claims remaining in the application have been overcome, favorable reconsideration and early passage of the application to allowance are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert A. Lloyd". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Robert" being more prominent.

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